

### **XXIII. International Summer University in Kőszeg**

#### **EUROPE IN THE VORTEX OF CHANGE - Central European Scenarios**

**25th June – 6th July, 2018 - Kőszeg, Hungary**

The International Summer University focuses on the creation, accumulation and dissemination of new knowledge. Through a multidisciplinary approach, we engage with the complex relationship between political, ideological, economic and cultural dynamics of integration and disintegration in Europe. Politicians, social scientists, practitioners, cultural heritage experts and artists ensure an exciting experience for participants.

Reflecting on global transformations and increasing global crises, there is a need to develop new ways of thinking. As complex and interdependent strategic thinking gains momentum, new approaches by experts in many different fields need to be understood. For example, regional development strategies need to consider social and economic cohesion and sustainability in Europe, in the EU and in Central Europe.

Topics:

- European Security and Security Policy in a Changing Global Landscape
- Remembering and Forgetting Communism
- The Future of European Democracy and Democracy in a Global Context
- Memory and Populist Politics in Popular Culture
- At the Intersection of Migration and Populist Politics
- Societies at Risk: Climate Change and Sustainable, Resilient Societies
- From Global to Local Sustainability: Microregional Aspects and the Circular Economy
- Interreligious Dialogue

This year's event is organized in joint collaboration of four institutions: the Institute of Social and European Studies (ISES), the Institute of Advanced Studies, the University of Pannonia. These institutions are at the same time jointly holding the UNESCO Chair of Cultural Heritage and Sustainability till 2021. The CEI Co-financing awarded to ISES to fund cooperation activities enabled the organizers to welcome a wide range of speakers, artistic performers and students from altogether twelve CEI member countries. The participants will have the opportunity to make an excursion on the weekend to neighbouring Slovenia in cooperation with the University Alma Mater Europaea ECM in Maribor.

The rich program on Central Europe attracted interest of student participants from non-CEI member countries as well, from North America, Asia and Africa as well. The panels are joined by outstanding professors and scholars from North-American, British, Belgian and Russian universities and research institutes as well.